

## Alexandria Gazette.

TUESDAY EVENING, APRIL 10, 1900.

ALEXANDRIA.

Dear Sir:—Our community is

more or less accurately, as our property

owners as the shareholders; the city

council as their board of directors; the

amount invested in local real estate as

their capital; and our business as that

of a promoter of enterprise and thrift.

In that business we have been, until

now, never ceasing, never ending, judi-

ciously advertised competition; and it

behooves our shareholders to watch

closely the movement of their

affairs and to promptly check any

course of action which tends to prevent

the accomplishment of their purpose, or

to depreciate the value of their invested

capital.

How are we advertising? Hun-

dreds, and sometimes thousands, of

strangers visit and pass through our

city a single day. Each of these be-

comes a traveling advertisement; and

as a matter of fact, basing their judg-

ment solely and very improperly, upon

the condition of our public streets—they

loudly proclaim, in every quarter of

the globe—by newspaper and magazine

articles and by word of mouth—that we

are "ruined," "decayed," "squalid," or

are "quaint," "picturesque," "interesting

as a relic of the past," and "understand-

ing." Even the funny man at the

Washington and other tea-

announcements every evening to a

delighted audience that we are

"dead." Does such advertising pay?

Does it assist us in earning dividends

upon, or to increase, the value of our

invested capital? Does it encourage

enterprise, stimulate energy and pro-

mote thrift? With such advertising

can we wonder that enterprise will not

come to and dwell among us? Does it

not tend to prevent the accomplish-

ment of the very purpose we have in

view?

Our shareholders find that their in-

dividual holdings are gradually, but steadily,

depreciating in value. When their

thrift builds itself a home, he finds that

its market value is less than its actual

cost. Why? Because the improve-

ments in the community as a whole do

not keep pace with those of the in-

dividual shareholder. Are we not—as a

community—pursuing the course of the

improvident farmer, who takes every-

thing from and returns nothing to the

soil? Let each of our shareholders

carefully study the above proposition,

and I feel perfectly confident that he

will naturally reach the conclusion that

his individual interest in the com-

munity imperatively demands that

the present method of advertising

and the present invidious depre-

ciation of the value of our

real property must cease; and,

further, that the only possible way to

accomplish that purpose is to improve

our streets. Yours truly,

JAMES BAYNE.

The Appetite of a Goat

Is envied by all poor dyspeptics

whose Stomach and Liver are out of

order. All such should know that Dr.

King's New Life Remedy, gives a

splendid appetite, sound digestion and

a regular bodily habit that insures per-

fect health and great energy. Only 25

cts. at E. S. Leadbeater &amp; Sons, Drug

Store.

Many Lives Saved.

In almost every neighborhood there

is some one whose life has been saved

by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and

Diarrhoea Remedy, or who has been

cured of chronic diarrhoea by the use of

this medicine. Such persons make a

pilot of telling of it whenever opportunity

offers, hoping that it may be the

means of saving other lives. For sale

by all druggists.

Don't Take Spite and Smack Your Life Away.

To quit tobacco easily and forever, be-

lieve me, full of life, energy and vigor, take No. 25

Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men

strong. All druggists, 50c or \$1. Cure guaran-

teed. Booklet and sample free. Address

Beecham Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

Change the liver, purify the blood, invig-

orate the body by using DeWitt's Little Blue

Pills. These famous little pills always act

promptly.

NOTICE OF FIRST MEETING OF CRED-

ITORS.

United States of America, Eastern District of

Virginia, ss.

In the United States District Court in and for

said District.

In the matter of

Albert Dreifus, bankrupt. In bankruptcy.

To the creditors of Albert Dreifus, of the city

of Alexandria, in the county of Alexandria,

and district, aforesaid, a bankrupt:

Notice is hereby given that on the 31 day

of April, 1900, said Albert Dreifus was duly

adjudicated bankrupt; and that the first

meeting of his creditors will be held at 212

King street, in the city of Alexandria, Vir-

ginia, on the 13th day of April, A. D. 1900,

at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time

said creditors may attend, prove their

claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bank-

rupt, and in case of other business as may

properly come before said meeting.

A. W. HEMSTING,

Referee in Bankruptcy.

April 7, 1900.—2t

TAKE NOTICE.

Sealed bid will be received until 6 o'clock

P. M. on April 12, 1900, for furnishing material

and labor for constructing a NEW BUILD-

ING HOUSE in Del Ray, in a front

District of Alexandria county, Virginia, ac-

cording to the plans and specifications on be-

half of the contract of April 4, 1900, up to one

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## MEDICINAL.

## Biliousness

Cure Constipation.

CANDY

CATHARTIC

TRADE MARK REGISTERED

REGULATE THE LIVER

Pleasant, Palatable, Potent, Taste Good, Do

Good, Never Sickens, Weakens, or Gries, No. 25, 50c

No. 100 TO-BAC Sold and guaranteed by all druggists

to C. E. DEWITT &amp; CO., Chicago

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